

# KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – RECORD OF DECISION

**DECISION TAKEN BY:**

**Peter Oakford - Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate and Traded Services**

**DECISION NO:**

24/00030

For publication

**Key decision**

Key decision criteria: decision will involve the granting of a lease for a term in excess of 20 years.

**Subject: Land at Bapchild and Tonge Church of England Primary School – Granting of a long lease to UK Power Networks for relocation of an electricity sub-station.**

**Decision:**

The Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate and Traded Services agrees to:

1. the granting of a Lease for a term in excess of 20 years to UK Power Networks for occupation and use of a new Electricity Sub Station to be located within the grounds of the school; and
2. delegate authority to the Director of Infrastructure, in consultation with the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Finance, Corporate and Traded Services to take necessary actions, including but not limited to entering into relevant contracts or other legal agreements, as required to implement this.

**Reason(s) for decision:**

The County Council will need to grant the lease to ensure UK Power Networks have an estate interest in the land to enable them to relocate an existing substation within the school grounds to a new location that will enable the school to undertake an expansion improvement to its building.

**Cabinet Committee recommendations and other consultation:**

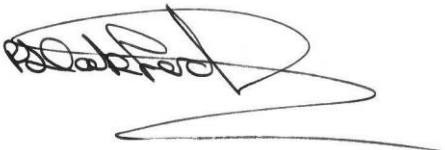
The proposed decision was considered by Members at the Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee on 15 May 2024, where the proposed decision was endorsed.

**Any alternatives considered:**

Not to engage in the surrender and renewal of the substation lease. This would result in the current substation not being moved.

Relocation of the substation will enable an existing school building to be extended and prevent a possible trespass issue into the site of the existing substation. Therefore, not engaging with UKPN to facilitate the relocation was rejected.

**Any interest declared when the decision was taken and any dispensation granted by the Proper Officer:** None.



7 June 2024

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